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CITY IS DOING BETTER.

Financial Condition Being Gradually Improved.

The city under the administration of Mayor William Green continues to better its financial condition at the rate, on average, of \$2,100 per month. Of this amount \$1,200 per month is due to the increased amount of taxes coming into the city treasury while the balance is due to retrenchments practiced.

This time of the year is always the period for slack living at the city hall, the taxes have not been paid yet and the receipts from a miscellaneous source are not sufficient to meet all of the expenses incident to running a city, the last several months of the year show a deficit. February, March, May, June and July will on the other hand show heavy balances.

For the eight months ending November 30, according to the report of the city clerk which has just been placed on file, the city secured in the way of receipts a grand total of \$82,019.15 as compared with the receipts for a similar length of time in 1906, which were \$72,829.93.

The disbursements for the eight months ending November 30, 1907, were \$108,993, and for the same length of time in 1906 they were \$124,458.07.

The deficit at this time this year is \$26,974.45 and last year \$50,828.15. The fiscal year does not end with the end of the year for the city but on April 1, so that the end of the fiscal year will not be greeted with a deficit but a balance, due to the incoming taxes. From these figures it shows that the city has managed to make a saving this year of \$24,559.69 in the eight months ending November 30, as against a similar period in 1906.

The police, street and fire departments vie with each other in showing retrenchments.

The police department cost \$18,736.25 during the eight months of 1907 mentioned; last year for the same time, \$21,694.63.

Similar comparisons: Fire department, 1907, \$28,494.15 and in 1906, \$31,916.76; city officers, \$10,670.25 in 1907, \$11,635.66 in 1906; sanitary department, 1907, \$3,357.06 and in 1906, \$3,535.42; street department, 1907, \$22,098.40, in 1906, \$25,712.78; city engineering department in 1907, \$4,484.85, in 1906, \$4,342.27; electric light department in 1907, \$9,279.83, in 1906, \$10,678.52.

For miscellaneous expenditures in 1907 the report shows \$11,863.01 and in 1906 \$14,440.04.

Mayor W. H. Davis, who preceded Mayor Green, blazed the way for conducting a retrenchment policy and that Mayor Green is able following that policy and even going it one better is evinced by the above figures. The figures are dry in themselves, but they indicate an interesting condition of affairs and a prophecy of a further reduction in the amount of the taxes for city purposes next summer, provided of course the present gain is maintained and no extravagances are indulged in.

Everybody seems to favor a central bank of issue, so long as the other fellow isn't in control of it.—Detroit News.



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Society

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Campbell of Argyllshire, Scotland, who are now visiting in New York are expected in about a fortnight to spend two days with the uncle of the former, Mr. J. A. Campbell, 516 Lincoln street, on their way to Grand Canon. Mr. Campbell is the "young laird" of Inverneil and Ross, one of the largest estates of Scotland. Mrs. Campbell was Miss Ethel Waterbury of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison S. Morgan will give a dinner Saturday night to celebrate their wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McClintock will give a dinner at the Topeka club Tuesday night.

Mrs. Reid was the model for Mr. Albert T. Reid's Midwinter exposition poster. Mr. Reid has been making a drawing of Miss Floyd Robinson for some of his magazine illustrations which is said to be a very good likeness and a beautiful drawing. It has not yet been published.

Mrs. Lawrence C. Wright of Indianapolis who left for her home today after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Wood, was the guest of honor at an informal reception given yesterday afternoon by her sisters, Mrs. Everett B. Akers and Miss Louise Wood, at the home of the latter. One hundred guests enjoyed the opportunity to meet Mrs. Wright, whose presence was a great visit home was the first since her marriage last summer. She was looking exceedingly attractive yesterday in a pretty gown of Copenhagen blue. Mrs. Akers was in tan silk and Miss Wood a number of in tan silk and Miss Wood a number of in tan silk.

The rooms were simply decorated with bouquets of pink roses except in the dining room where there were pink garlands and pink candles. Mrs. Wood, Mrs. George Fleishman, Miss Alice Lakin, Miss Reita Updegraff, Miss Jessie Campbell, Miss Hazel Risteen, Miss Allabelle Troutman, Miss Mary Meade and Miss Ruth Wood assisted and Miss Mary MacLennan and Miss Marie Lagerstrom served sherbet in the library. The presence of Miss Alice Lakin who has been in mourning for a number of months and who appeared for the first time this season at a social function was noted with enthusiasm, for there is no girl in Topeka who has more friends, among women as well as men, than Miss Lakin and she has been greatly missed during her retirement.

This exquisite gown was developed in mauve color broadcloth in princess style. The front width and side are made very smooth fitting to the hip line, and from there hangs very full.

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Miss Mary Sutherland will entertain her 500 club Thursday afternoon.

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Knight, Crane, Thacher, second basses, Miss Ona Miller, reader, and Miss Grace Boles, soprano, will be among the soloists.

The Daughters of the American Revolution will be entertained next Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. T. W. Harrison, 1243 Western avenue, the other hostesses being Mrs. Henry W. McAfee, Mrs. L. L. Kline, Miss Ruth Smith and Miss Mary Meade. "Early Governors and First Legislature of Kansas" will be the topic of discussion. Preceding the social hour, the annual election of officers will take place and an early and full attendance is requested.

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honorable, honest and a man, in ability of the first order, but who seemingly failed in the financial crisis just past, to recognize the rights of the west. His environments are such that he failed to shake them off and he catered to Wall street. The west is friendly to the east and will continue this friendship unless the east persists in the course it has pursued in the financial matter during the past 90 days. Can a plausible reason be assigned why the common people should not share in holding the government obligation in the form of bonds? Why are these bonds not put out in denominations that every wage earner can have an opportunity to invest in them? Why are the bonds put out in such large denominations that capitalists only have the money to secure them? Why are the common people—those of small and moderate means—not given the first opportunity to purchase these bonds?

Returning to our esteemed ex-Governor Crawford, it looks to a layman like he is trying to attract our attention away from the main issue, when he calls up the memory of Abraham Lincoln. In my opinion the three most prominent, greatest and most active presidents, presidents who have made the most history and have done the most for the American people are Washington, Lincoln and Roosevelt. True, opportunity was presented and they were equal to the emergency. But Governor Crawford will recall that a call was issued for a convening of governors during Lincoln's administration to circumvent or correct abuses or show President Lincoln some way out of the entanglement he had plunged the nation into. It was practically a rebellion against Lincoln's administration. But it came to naught. Why? The common people were with the great Lincoln and these Egyptian leaders with their following were swallowed up in the great sea of common sense in the form of public opinion. It is the same today in the case of President Roosevelt. He stands for what the people stand, want and will have. They are against no interest that is square and fair.

J. E. MINNEY.

Reeder Is Coming Home.
Washington, Jan. 8.—Representative Reeder will go to Kansas City this week to be present at the Sixth district Republican congressional meeting at Colby on January 14th, to arrange for primary election in that district.

HE RAPS JUDGE BREWER.
Dr. Minney Laughs at Proposal to Run Him for President.

It is amusing to note how age affects men as well as location and environment. Some time ago the eminent Kansas jurist, Judge Brewer declared a short tribute on Roosevelt. Kansas are proud of Judge Brewer's record in the past, in the main, but the judge is showing signs of dotage. His Kansas friends would be pleased if the judge would be more discreet in his utterances. We know a man can't be great in everything and the greater the man the more glaring his weak points appear when he is publicly displayed. General Grant is reported to have asked Henry Ward Beecher why a clergyman's faults attracted so much more attention than a layman. Beecher said he did not know unless the same reason that a white garment showed the dirt more than a colored one.

And now comes our old, esteemed ex-Governor Crawford, who used to be one of us indeed, but now in name only and informs us that the country has gone beyond its bounds and we need a man in the White House who will "bring it back to a normal and safe condition." More evidence of dotage. It seems strange that the east is not familiar with the west, but passing strange that our own kith and kin when removed from western soil and particularly liberty loving Kansas soil, should so soon forget their training and to whom they are indebted for their success. They, as well as our eastern friends, fail to comprehend the west with its power and greatness and big heartedness. The secretary of the treasury, Mr. Cortelyou, is a man of great parts.

Items for the North Topeka News may be left at the Petro & Woodford drug store, 33 North Kansas avenue, or call the North Side reporter at her home, Ind. phone 621.

Mr. George Helm and family of Oklahoma arrived here today and will remain permanently and will live at 831 North Topeka avenue.

Mrs. Sarah Keplingner went to Lynon today, called by the illness of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Truman Keplingner.

Mr. C. O. Burgen is unable to be at work on account of illness and is in the Santa Fe hospital.

Mr. J. B. Able of Grantville was a North Side visitor today.

Mr. A. J. Wooster went to Illinois yesterday for a few weeks' visit.

Mrs. B. Skinner went to Elmont yesterday to visit her sister for a few days.

Mr. Frank Young of Seattle, Wash., visited friends here today on his way home from a trip through Alaska. Mr. Young formerly lived on the North side.

Mr. W. A. Luthy of Silver Lake was in town on business today.

Miss Ellice Newlan went to Kansas City today to visit her sister, Miss Mary Newlan, for a few days.

Miss Hazel Anderson has returned from Newton, Kansas, where she has been spending the past two weeks the guest of her brother, Mr. Archie Anderson.

Mrs. E. L. Willey of Kansas City, Kansas, and Mrs. A. C. Schroeder of Bloomington, Illinois, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lillard, at 1114 North Van Buren street.

Miss Vera Bridge entertained very informally last evening at her home on Quincy street, her guests being Miss Hazel Haynes, Miss Bess Shores, Miss Helen Haynes, Mr. Harold Forbes, Mr. Sears, Floyd Talmage and Carl Fowler.

George E. Gorman, who has been the guest of his friend, H. Lester, at the past week, has returned to his home in Quincy, Illinois. George is a student of the Gem City business college at that place.

On Monday evening a farewell reception was given by the members of the Central Avenue Christian church to their retiring pastor and wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bentley. This reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Knolls, of 129 North Jackson street, about 75 people being present. After a social hour refreshments were served, then the entire party gathered in the large double rooms. Bless be the tie that binds was sung, after which there were a number of talks mingled with mirth and pathos. In these prominent members expressed great appreciation for the lives and works of both Mr. and Mrs. Bentley during their past years of their ministering here. Then in behalf of the members of the church, Mr. David Lyon, who will be their future pastor, presented an embroidered rattan bag of money to them. This recep-

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